FALL EDITION 2022

LAKESHORE LIGHT

Lakeshore Administrators support the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation 2022 Lakeshore Golf Scramble.

Join us in engaging the minds, spirits and talents of our students and teachers.

The LEF has announced three new projects!

More information inside!

Grounded in Tradition – Committed to Excellence

Message from the Superintendent

Superintendent
Greg Eding

Lakeshore Public Schools is here for YOU! Our team continues to prepare for the 2022-23 school year, working to make this the best year yet.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to read through the Lakeshore Light newsletter. I would like to highlight the article on page 4 of the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation insert concerning Professional Learning Communities (PLC's).

The LEF has kicked-off the first part of a three-year commitment to fund Professional Learning Communities here at Lakeshore Public Schools. Over the summer, 45 educators and administrators attended a conference on PLC training. This initiative is just one of many great examples showing the partnership that the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation has with our district. PLC's help to ensure that students learn while promoting a culture of collaboration and communication.

Lakeshore Public Schools is always looking for ways to improve, including how we communicate.

As we get closer to the start of school, we are asking parents to login to PowerSchool (available in late August) and ensure that email and cell phone contact information are correct. District and school communications often use this to reach out with newsletters, school closings and more! You can also follow us on Facebook (Facebook.com/lpslancer) and Instagram for up-to-date information on the happenings in our schools.

As the Superintendent of Lakeshore Public Schools, I look forward to serving our students, parents, and staff to make this an amazing school year.

A big thank you to all parents for entrusting their student(s) to our care. We will do our very best to provide a world class education for all students.

School will start before you know it. Make the best of these warm summer months and spend as much time as you can with friends and family!

Sincerely,
Greg Eding
geding@lpslancer.net

We are grateful for the financial support of the **LAKESHORE EXCELLENCE FOUNDATION** and for the efforts of the LEF all-volunteer board.

Lakeshore Welcomes New Administrator & Teachers

Michael Vota
Assistant Principal
High School
Mike received his Bachelor's Degree from Towson University in Maryland and his Master's from MaryGrove College. Mike has worked for Niles Community Schools for a number of years in different roles; most recently as a Middle School Assistant Principal.

Brian Murphy
HVAC, High School
Brian has been in the HVAC trade for 29 years, from his service in the Navy to owning his own company.

Lance Carter
Math, High School
Lance received his Bachelor's from Western Michigan University and most recently taught at Berrien Springs High School.

Luis Sanchez
Spanish, High School
Luis received his Education Certification from Aquinas College and his Master's from the University of Phoenix. He spent the last 11 years with New Buffalo Area Schools.

John Girton
Advanced Weight Training
High School
John received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of North Florida and his Master's from Northern Michigan University. He most recently taught in Traverse City Area, and in Virginia prior to that.

Hanns-Georg Heil
Industrial Arts,
High School
Hanns received his Bachelor's Degree from Western Michigan University and has teaching experience from WMU, Kalamazoo, Bridgman, and Eau Claire Schools.

Jill Rezanka
Special Education
High School
Jill received her Bachelor's from Eastern Michigan University and her Master's in Special Ed from Oakland. She has been employed by National Heritage Academies in Detroit since 2004.

Alyson Grumbine
Choir, Middle School
Alyson received her Bachelor's from Western Michigan University and has previously taught at Hartford Schools.

Chris Cochran
English, High School
Chris received his Bachelor's from Grand Valley State University and his Master's from Walden University and has taught for Eau Claire Schools for the past decade.

Christina Baumann
Band, Middle School
Christina received her Bachelor's from Western Michigan University and her Master's from American Band College of Sam Houston State University. Christina has been teaching Band at New Buffalo Area Schools since 2008.

Lakeshore Welcomes New Administrator & Teachers

Chris Grapis
Band, Middle/High Schools
Chris, a Lakeshore graduate, received his Bachelor's from Eastern Michigan and will soon receive his Master's from Central Washington University. He has been with Holland Public Schools since 2019 and taught in Arkansas the five years previous to that.

Amy Beck
4th Grade, Roosevelt
Amy received both her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Western Michigan University. She has been an elementary teacher for Buchanan.

Nicole Tiefenbach
Language Arts, Middle School
Nicole received her Bachelor's from Grand Valley and her Master's from Arkansas State University. She previously taught at Benton Harbor Charter and Brandywine.

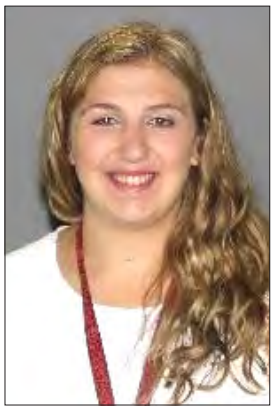
Adriana (Dumitra) Miu
Special Education, Stewart Elementary
Adriana received her Bachelor's from the University of Bucharest and her Master's from Northern Illinois University. Adriana has previously taught in Illinois, Texas, Egypt and Germany.

Morgan Ingle
Art, Middle School
Morgan received her Bachelor's Degree from Western and has taught at Eau Claire, Brookview Montessori, and Benton Harbor.

Carolyn Bowman
2nd Grade, Stewart Elementary
Carolyn received both her Bachelor's and Master's from Western. She has been with Benton Harbor Area Schools since 2008.

Lisa Callahan
3rd Grade, Hollywood Elementary
Lisa has been a popular face subbing at Hollywood. She previously taught in Utah and received her Bachelor's Degree from Utah State University.

Jakob Knuth
Music, Stewart Elementary
Jacob is a 2016 Lakeshore graduate and received his Bachelor's Degree from Western Michigan University. He filled in as a long term substitute teacher last year in New Buffalo.



Mikaela McLaughlin
Music, Hollywood Elementary
Mikaela is being welcomed back as the Music teacher at Hollywood Elementary after leaving two years ago. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Miami University.

Ryan Van Dusen
5th Grade, Stewart Elementary
Ryan received his Bachelor's Degree from Western Michigan University. He has taught at Sodus River School and also in Plainwell, MI.

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Lakeshore School Bus Transportation

The Lakeshore Public Schools Transportation Department's mission is to provide the safest and most efficient means of transporting our students to and from school.

Red stop sign means "STOP"
Green smiley face means "CROSS SAFELY"

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to a safe school year! GO LANCERS!

2022-2023 Bus Routes

Lakeshore transportation will post preliminary routes on the transportation page of the website for the 2022/2023 school year on August 15th at 5:00 P.M. These preliminary routes will help plan and offer appropriate pick-up times.

As many parents will be exploring needs for transportation late into August, please check the website after 5:00 P.M. on August 25th. These will be the final routes for the 1st day of school. The website will be periodically updated throughout the school year. New students and extracurricular activities impact routing schedules.

Bus Stop Etiquette:

Please have your child at the bus stop five minutes before the listed estimated time. On Late-Start Wednesdays, high school/middle school buses run 40 minutes later, and elementary buses run 50 minutes later. Late Start Wednesdays begin September 7, 2022.

Student Crossing Procedure:

To Board the Bus:

1. Students wait in a group at the designated bus stop at least 10 feet away from the edge of the roadway and watch the bus driver for the signal to cross.
2. Bus drivers will display a sign (see below) to indicate when it is safe to cross the street.
3. Students proceed directly across the road always staying well in front of the bus and board the bus.
4. Do not stop in the middle of the street or cross behind the bus.
5. Bus stops will be placed at legal locations consistent with Board policy or if required by law.

When Exiting the Bus:

1. Students exit the bus and take 10 giant steps in front of the bus staying on the side of the street.
2. Students stand in a group and look to the bus driver for the signal to cross.
3. Bus drivers will display a sign to indicate when it is safe to cross the street.
   Red stop sign means "STOP"
   Green smiley face means "CROSS SAFELY"
4. Students proceed to a point even with the left side of the bus and stop.
5. Students look left and right for passing cars.
6. Students look to the driver for instruction to complete the crossing.
7. Do not cross behind the bus.
8. If a paper or article goes under the school bus, always ask the bus driver for help.
9. Do not get mail from roadside mailboxes until after the bus leaves the stop.

Student Delivery Specialists:

Lakeshore Transportation is looking forward to another safe year of transporting our students. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to drop us a line at (269) 428-1412 or email nawhite@lpslancer.net.

13th Annual Adam Tilly Memorial Golf Outing

On July 12th, golfers came together for a great day at Lake Michigan Hills Golf Course in memory of a former teammate, classmate, friend and son, Adam Tilly.

Adam was a 2001 Lakeshore High School graduate. He was a strong athlete, starting for some great Lancer football squads. He threw shot put and discus (and occasionally ran 400's) and was team captain for a track team that won state. He always excelled in the classroom and served two years on student council. Adam was a great individual on and off the field – a selfless teammate who ALWAYS put the team's objectives above and beyond personal accolades.

In April 2005, he graduated from Michigan Technological University with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering degree. Adam was a recipient of the prestigious Thompson Scholarship, which is awarded to outstanding students in the university's civil engineering program. After graduating from Michigan Tech, he accepted a civil engineering position with Pearson Construction Co.

In July of 2006, Adam's life was cut short by melanoma cancer. In memory of Adam, Hans Koppenhoefer (friend and teammate) has organized this yearly event. This once small outing among friends has grown into much more – a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, AT53Inc., awarding yearly scholarships to outstanding Lakeshore High School seniors. AT53 Inc., has proudly awarded $38,000.00 in scholarships in the past nine years.

AT53 Inc., is proud to award three scholarships this year to outstanding graduates: **Ellie Carlisle** who will be attending University of Michigan and majoring in Environmental Science, **Jayden Schmaltz** who will be attending Michigan State University with plans to pursue a master's degree in Environmental Engineering, and **Manuela Chohfi** who plans to attend Michigan State University and major in Nursing. Best of luck ladies!

Adam is also remembered by his family's gift to the football program, a storage building on the side of Lancer stadium. The building with the #53, Adam's three – year varsity football number!

This year's outing was one of the best by far! With golfers, volunteers and scholarship recipients coming together for a wonderful event to honor and remember Adam. AT53Inc. wishes to extend a special thank you to our generous hole sponsors, donors, community leaders, golfers, volunteers, family and friends. We are so grateful for your support, and proud to represent such a fine young man. We could not do this without you!

The Board of AT53Inc. - Hans & Lisa Koppenhoefer, Brandon Cerecke, Brett Schlender, Chris Tilly, Scott & Kristin Merrill

The mission of Lakeshore Public Schools, in partnership with families and the community, is to guide students toward achieving educational excellence by engaging, inspiring and empowering them to think, learn and pursue their individual passions with knowledge, confidence, and integrity – the foundation of their future.

2022-2023 Board of Education Regular Meetings

The regular Board meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 5:30 P.M. in the Lakeshore High School LEF Learning Center (formerly the LGI Room near the auditorium) (unless conflicting with summer or holiday schedules - see below).

September 12, 2022
October 10, 2022
November 14, 2022
December 12, 2022
*January 23, 2023
*February 20, 2023
March 13, 2023
April 10, 2023
May 8, 2023
June 12, 2023

*The February meeting will be held on the third Monday. The January meeting will be held on the 4th Monday.

First Day of School

The first day of elementary school is Monday, August 29, 2022. It is a half day of school with dismissal at 12:00 P.M.

Elementary Daily Schedule

Students may enter the building at 8:25 A.M.

Doors open 8:25 A.M.
School starts 8:40 A.M.
School day ends 3:45 P.M.

Late Start Wednesday

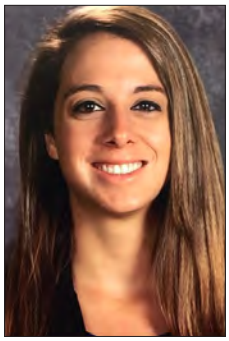
Begins September 7, 2022
Doors open 8:55 A.M.
School starts 9:10 A.M.
School day ends 3:45 P.M.

Half Day Schedule

School day ends 12:00 P.M.

Natalie Macerata
Hollywood Principal

Rachel Kyncl
Roosevelt Principal



Samantha Berglan
Stewart Principal

Welcome to the 2022-2023 School Year!

It's our pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great year! We are all excited to have students back in our classrooms and hallways filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our mission to help every child feel welcomed, connected, and a part of our Lakeshore Family. We have great teachers who spend hours planning and creating classroom activities to engage our students in learning.

Stewart Elementary will be focused on the theme "The Stewart Family" for the 22-23 school year! For years, we have held the belief that Stewart is a family. This year, we are placing a more profound focus on this theme, asking classrooms, teacher teams, the staff and families to be active members of our Stewart Family. Each classroom will have their own family trees posted outside their classroom doors, and we will have family gatherings for our students and staff to be better connected. The Stewart Family shows our school-wide expectations of PRIDE (Perseverance - Respect - Integrity - Dedication - Empathy), and we have many exciting opportunities to recognize PRIDE throughout our school community! We will continue to focus on these expectations and help our entire Stewart Family to better understand the behaviors we want to see.

Hollywood will continue with the Leader in Me program for the 22-23 school year. We are celebrating our 9th year of utilizing this program while continuing to be a Lighthouse School. Our focus this year will include revamping our leadership notebooks, reinstating student leadership roles and jobs, and restoring Lead Time to promote our common language across the building.

Roosevelt is continuing to focus on Courage, Knowledge and Relationships. With former school wide themes such as "You Belong Here" and "You Matter" we are looking forward to continuing to build strong relationships with our students. When we think about how students show courage, continuously gather knowledge and build relationships we will shift our thinking to how this looks in various areas of the building. An example could be "On the playground we show courage by safely trying new things. We build relationships by being kind to friends and making good choices." etc.

We cannot wait to welcome all students back to a fantastic school year! We are looking forward to all the learning, growth and success we will experience!

LAKESHORE LANCERS

Rock Your Teacher Award

Hollywood Elementary teacher Mrs. McVey was presented with a special, "Rock Your Teacher" award from Dr. Harrington's Orthodontics. Student, Alex Hughes, nominated his teacher. Alex said " She helps me when I don't know something and because she is funny. She is the best teacher in the universe." Congratulations Mrs. McVey!

Pop Tops? They can help.

Hollywood Elementary continues to support the **Haley Bradley Aluminum tab collection,** benefiting the South Bend Ronald McDonald Family room. This past year, Hollywood collected 71.60 pounds of "pop tops." Anyone in the community that is interested in collecting aluminum tabs, please feel free to drop them off at Hollywood Elementary at any time during the 22-23 school year for a great cause!

Fourth grade/kindergarten buddies -- Mrs. Kuntz and Miss Gregorich's classes enjoyed getting together a few times a month last school year. They would do various activities together and ended the year with tie dying shirts to wear on Fun Day! These fourth graders made incredible mentors to some of your youngest learners!

SNAIL Time at the Hollywood Garden

The high school Environmental Club has partnered with Hollywood Elementary to assist with the SNAIL Program (Science, Nature and Integrated Literature) ran by Ms. Deloria.

Pastries with Parents at Hollywood had a wonderful turnout!

The picnic-style gathering brought families together to enjoy breakfast at school!

Graduate Walk

Though it has been a few months since we welcomed our graduates back to their elementary schools we wanted to share this fun tradition with the community! This is a tradition our elementary students and graduates have grown to love! The Class of 2022 is surely going to do great things!

Measuring at the Playground

Mrs. Erickson's 2nd grade class took advantage of some beautiful spring weather and also discovered that there are many areas on our playground that are about a yard long! They enjoyed learning about measurement in one of their math units. We are always excited to apply our learning!

The Stewart "POP" Store

Stewart Elementary has been implementing PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports) since the 2018-2019 school year. PBIS is a way for us to teach our children the behaviors we want to see in all settings of the school. PBIS also allows us to help students focus on how they treat others.

Students enjoying the Pop Store

By teaching them the behaviors we want to see, we have the opportunity to reinforce these behaviors. We have been recognizing students that demonstrate our PRIDE (Perseverance- Respect- Integrity-Dedication-Empathy) school-wide expectations through "POP" tickets. "POP" stands for Proof of PRIDE! If any staff member sees a student showing "PRIDE", they can recognize the student by stating the positive behavior they are showing and then give them a POP ticket right at that moment.

The POP tickets will have a different, even more exciting meaning this school year. We are thrilled to be able to open up a store where students will be able to use their POP tickets like cash to purchase items and experiences with staff members! All students will have the opportunity to visit the POP store every other week. Some students may choose to spend their POP tickets every time they go, or some may choose to save up for a big ticket item or experience.

Our POP store will be run by generous parent volunteers, allowing for parents and the school to strengthen their partnership. The Stewart Family PTO has also generously agreed to support the POP Store! The PTO will partner with staff and students to purchase items for the store.

REACH HIGHER

LAKESHORE EXCELLENCE FOUNDATION

FALL 2022

3 NEW MAJOR PROJECTS

We are excited to announce three new projects aimed at positively impacting students, staff and our community.

READ MORE PAGE 10.

THANK YOU, GOLF SPONSORS

Mark your calendars for the next LEF Golf Scramble - Monday, June 12, 2023.

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Thank you for your continued support!

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50 DONORS

32 SPONSORS

32 TEAMS

$20,000 REVENUE

32 teams hit the links this past June for the 20th Annual Lakeshore Excellence Foundation Golf Scramble.

Participants enjoyed a round at beautiful Harbor Shores Golf Course, lunch, and had their shot at a number of fantastic prizes! The event raised $20,000! All money goes to support our mission that funds grants and opportunities for students, staff and the community of Lakeshore Public Schools.

LEF Golf Scramble Chair, Bill Scaletta, is thankful for the annual support received for this important event. "On behalf of the LEF Golf Committee, I would like to thank everyone who helped make our 20th annual golf scramble a success," said Scaletta. "Whether you were a golfer, raffle prize donor or a major sponsor, we could not have done it without your support. Go Lancers!"

Mark your calendars for the next LEF Golf Scramble - Monday, June 12, 2023.

Thank You, 2022 LEF Golf Scramble Sponsors and Donors.

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Sophia's House of Pancakes
State Street Meats
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Thank you, Merlin Hanson.

A GREAT FRIEND ...

As President of the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation, I would like to dedicate this Chairman's Letter to a great friend who we recently lost.

J.C. Anderson, Chairman

Merlin Hanson was a great friend of the LEF and had also become a personal friend. Merlin and his family represent the largest contributors to our Foundation and I will share the story regarding how Merlin became a contributor. Upon being asked and accepting the role of LEF President, we developed a fundraising campaign based on face to face communications and the request for a specific financial contribution. I had met and had social conversations with Merlin a couple of times but this was going to be the first real business discussion that we would have.

Merlin and I met at Papa Vino's for lunch and after discussing our backgrounds we moved into the LEF discussion. Merlin was tough and straight forward with his questioning of why he should make an investment in the LEF. I talked about Lakeshore students and their education and how much better we could make that based on our potential projects. After feeling like I really wasn't making much progress, I said ... "Merlin, I have been accountable for millions of dollars of investment at Whirlpool for the last 39 years and I think that I had a pretty good track record on those investments. Just because I retired, I'm not going to start making dumb decisions with the LEF money!" He asked me how much I was after from him and I indicated a 5 figure amount annually. He looked at me with a smile, held out his hand for a shake, and said ... "We have a deal." Each year after that we would have lunch and catch up with one another but he always wanted to know the LEF money was being wisely spent (my part of the deal) and he would then pass on a check (his part of the deal).

His interest in the LEF and the students at Lakeshore continued to grow over the years as illustrated by these three (3) examples. Shortly after our initial lunch at Papa Vino's, Merlin invited me to his office and introduced me to his four (4) children ... each of which are Lakeshore graduates. He talked about his commitment, his support of the LEF and then left me with the children to give a presentation regarding the LEF. Each of the children are now Lancer Leader level contributors to the LEF.

After the Oxford, Michigan, school shooting, I was contacted by the Hanson's asking about any necessary safety investments at Lakeshore. This conversation led to an additional 5 figure contribution for a revised door locking system at the high school.

The biggest contribution of all was the support for the entire PLC (Professional Learning Communities) project.

This was part of a $720,000 project investment that the LEF announced at the March 2022 Board of Education meeting. The day after this announcement received front page coverage in the Herald Palladium, as Merlin and his wife Carolyn were having coffee that morning, they became very interested in this particular project due to the impact on all of the students. I received a call later that day from the Hanson's and was very humbled by their commitment to fund the PLC portion of the project.

Maybe it's a coincidence that the day 45 Lakeshore teachers and administrators were attending the PLC Conference in Grand Rapids happened to be the day that Merlin passed. The impact that Merlin and his family have had on our school and community is perhaps indescribable in words. He was first a gentleman, a very successful businessman, and then became a great philanthropist. Merlin's passion for the arts, education, and economic development of our area led to the contribution of millions of dollars into these areas. Our community has certainly become a much better place to live and work as a result of Merlin Hanson.

Even though I was already retired from Whirlpool when I really started dealing with Merlin, I wish that I had met him much earlier in my life. He would have been a great mentor and I would have been much wiser from our conversations. Farewell and thank you my dear friend Merlin.

Sincerely,

J.C. Anderson

J.C. Anderson, LEF Board Chairman

Investing in Professional Learning Communities

COLLABORATING TO ENSURE ALL STUDENTS SUCCEED

School Culture
"SCHOOL CULTURE IS THE SET OF NORMS, VALUES, AND BELIEFS, RITUALS AND CEREMONIES, SYMBOLS AND STORIES THAT MAKE UP THE 'PERSONA' OF THE SCHOOL"

We are proud to kick off the first part of a 3 year commitment to fund professional learning communities (PLC's) and create ongoing development opportunities for our Lakeshore staff.

One of the three new major projects that are being funded by the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation got off the ground as a group of 45 educators and administrators from our district attended an in-person professional development session in Grand Rapids to learn more about Professional Learning Communities or PLC's. They attended the training created by Solution Tree, a company that is committed to transforming education by helping educators to raise student achievement.

The conference had approximately 1,400 attendees from over 20 states and Canada.

PLC's empower educators to work collaboratively in cycles of collective inquiry and action research to achieve better results for the students they serve. Many consider PLC's to be the most powerful strategy for sustained and substantial school improvement. PLC's create opportunities for continuous improvement within our school district.

Presenter Luis Cruz stated that "A school or school district becomes a PLC when the professional educators engage in an ongoing process of collaboration. This collaboration happens in recurring cycles of inquiry, where teams are looking at their common formative assessment data to determine which students 'got it', and which students didn't 'get it'. And then determining what we are going to do about it. Because HOPE is not a strategy."

Continuous learning among our educators is essential. LEF has committed $225,000 over three years to fund the training of our staff on PLC's. The outcome of this investment will be continuous, job-embedded training for our educators and improved learning for all students, every day.

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Distinguished Alumni Award

KEITH AVERY & MIKE WELCH

Mike Welch (L) and Keith Avery (R)

Keith Avery (L) and Mike Welch (R)

Lakeshore High School Class of 81' graduates, Keith Avery and Mike Welch, share the Lakeshore High School Alumni Association and LEF 2022 Distinguished Alumni of the Year award.

John Welch, Mike's brother, paid tribute to the men at this year's commencement ceremony, held at Al Stockman Stadium on June 3. Prior to the ceremony, at a special reception, J.C. Anderson, President of the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation shared...

"What a great pair of friends, classmates, and business partners to be recognized as our Distinguished Alumni this year. They each have done so much for the school and our community that this is an unusual but very appropriate recognition for Mike and Keith, plus their friends and family. I am both humbled and honored to take part in this celebration."

Keith and Mike first met in kindergarten at Roosevelt Elementary School. They were quick to become best friends and spent their younger years together playing sports including basketball and baseball. They became fierce competitors both on and off the field never wanting to come in second. They graduated from Lakeshore in 1981, not as the highest academic achievers, but looked to as leaders of their graduating class. After high school Keith attended Ferris State University and Mike went to Western Michigan University.

After college, Keith and Mike started an expedited trucking company called Express-1. The company grew from just two trucks to be one of the largest expedited transportation companies in North America. They eventually took Express-1 public and selected XPO as its stock symbol on Wall Street. They later sold XPO to Bradley Jacob of Jacob's Private Equity. After selling Express-1, Keith and Mike opened Honey Baked Ham in St. Joseph and after a few years relocated the business to Stevensville. They continued to "dabble" in other business ventures in and out of the transportation industry.

Keith and Mike have always been dedicated to Lakeshore and the community. Keith served as a trustee on the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation from 2006 to 2012. Keith and his wife Amy have twin boys, Jordan and Ryan, who both graduated from Lakeshore in 2012. Mike served on the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation from 2012-14 and the Lakeshore School Board from 2005-2019 (Vice President 2013-2019). Mike and Lisa's daughter Kara graduated from Lakeshore in 2016 and their son Carter graduated in 2019.

Mike lost his personal battle with glioblastoma — brain cancer — September 27, 2019, at the Hanson Hospice Center at 56 years of age. What he packed into those years will be remembered forever by those who knew and loved him. Keith was diagnosed with glioblastoma in 2021 and is fighting the battle of his life.

This is a unique story of two childhood friends going through the Lakeshore School system, heading along different paths to college and then reconnecting to start one of the most successful freight expediting companies in North America. Not only did these two Lakeshore graduates start new companies but they acquired other companies in the same industry. They looked for companies that shared the same values, dedication to service and business fundamentals that they learned as students at Lakeshore.

Welcome to the Board!

Gyl Kasewurm

GYL KASEWURM

Gyl Kasewurm, a lifelong resident of Michigan's Great Southwest, earned her Doctorate in Audiology degree from Central Michigan University and has owned and operated Professional Hearing Services (PHS) in Saint Joseph, Michigan for many years. The unique practice is known within the industry as a benchmark for the patient experience. Dr. Kasewurm is a well-known author and speaker and has earned many honors, but is most proud of the designation of being a Distinguished Alumnus of Lakeshore High School.

Ryan Arnt

RYAN ARNT

Ryan Arnt has called Southwest Michigan home for over 35 years and was a student at Lakeshore. He earned his bachelor's degree from Stephen F. Austin State University. Ryan returned to Southwest Michigan in 1998 and has been a REALTOR for 24 years, currently the Real Estate Broker & Owner of Keller Williams Realty. Ryan serves as the President of the St. Joe Kickers Club and chairs the Public Policy Committee for the Michigan Association of REALTORS. He was also a past President of the Lakeshore Rotary Club. Ryan & his wife Gretchen have two children. They enjoy watching their kids participate in all kinds of activities from travel baseball to gymnastics, as well as boating, cooking great BBQ, golfing, and skiing. Ryan & Gretchen have supported Lakeshore football radio broadcasts for many years, plus basketball, wrestling, golf, choir, band, and many other Lakeshore programs.

Class of 1972 Celebrates

The Lakeshore High School Class of '72 recently gathered in Stevensville to celebrate their 50 year reunion. Festivities kicked off graduation weekend with a banquet at Pebblewood Country Club, and continued into the weekend with a tour of their Alma Mater - Lakeshore High School - followed by a picnic at Barb Kramer Day's family home in downtown Stevensville.

LEF is a strong supporter of the Lakeshore Alumni Association and these annual class reunions. The Lakeshore Excellence Foundation recently funded an initiative to compile an updated LPS alumni directory.

Want a way to stay in touch with your former classmates? Consider filling out our alumni contact form. There are no dues or membership fees - just a great way to stay informed of alumni events and school initiatives. Those registered will also receive an invitation to their 50-year class reunion; enjoy front row seats at commencement and a reception after the ceremony. Learn more by visiting: lefonline.org/alumni/get-registered/

LEF Supports Lakeshore Students

Hollywood Elementary third grade students can better maximize their learning time thanks to these new Store More® Deluxe Chair Pockets.

Their teacher, David Castonguay, received a staff support grant from the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation to purchase the pockets, which help store materials like pencils, markers, highlighters, and erasers. The chair pockets also include clear plastic pockets to hold a student's name tag.

Castonguay says tools like these help minimize transition time between subjects by keeping students organized.

Real World Finance

Lakeshore Middle School students had the opportunity to get some hands-on experience in the world of personal finance, thanks to a LEF Staff Support Grant, requested by their teacher, Jenn Engleman. Last Spring, these former 8th grade students participated in Junior Achievement's Finance Park. JA Finance Park is Junior Achievement's capstone program for personal financial planning and career exploration. Engleman says the program, which includes curriculum and a simulation, helps students build a foundation on which they can make intelligent financial decisions that last a lifetime - including choices related to income, expenses, savings, and credit.

Engleman says the program culminated with a visit to JA Finance Park, held at the Berrien County Youth Fairgrounds. "Students were able to engage with volunteers and put into practice what they learned by developing a personal budget," said Engleman. "Thank you to the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation for funding this wonderful learning opportunity."

Lakeshore Middle School get hands-on experience in finance!

Students enjoying building with STEM.

Making Bridges with STEM Materials

5th grade Stewart Elementary students, in Janelle Ayers class, had a great time constructing bridges with new STEM materials they received through a grant from the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation.

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The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Coalition

Creating An Inclusive Environment at Lakeshore: The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Coalition.

The Lakeshore Excellence Foundation has made a pledge and commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. But what does it mean to be more inclusive and how do we continue to promote inclusion throughout the district?

According to the Oxford dictionary, inclusion is the practice or policy of providing equal access to opportunities and resources for people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalized, such as those who have physical or mental disabilities and members of other minority groups.

Inclusion focuses on the whole environment at Lakeshore, being aware of and making changes so that all children can participate fully. In an inclusive environment, diversity is acknowledged, respected and celebrated as a resource for learning, growth and change. Within an inclusive environment all students experience a sense of belonging, feeling respected, valued and seen for who they are as individuals.

One way that our district is working towards becoming more inclusive has been the establishment of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Coalition (DEIC). The DEIC is a cohort of passionate Lakeshore students who are committed to improving the learning experience for all students. They are empathetic toward their peers and possess the courage to address pitfalls, seeking resolutions that create a more inclusive environment within Lakeshore by providing support to individuals who may feel marginalized within our district.

The DEIC was designed to be a student-led group in order to catalyze a positive influence and create growth at the student level with the goal of creating a more optimistic and inclusive environment throughout the Lakeshore community.

When asked why it is important that Lakeshore creates a DEIC, one student responded, "It is important that Lakeshore has a DEI Coalition because all students should know that they have peers and administrators who are committed to supporting them. It is so important for marginalized youth who may feel alienated, to know that the district is here to support them through their educational journey and development."

The DEIC will be creating events and activities centered around the inclusion of all students. If students are interested in joining the DEIC, they can email Mr. Greg Eding, Superintendent at geding@lpslancer.net. There is a desire to continue growing the group.

Excellent schools are the foundation of excellent communities. When you invest in Lakeshore Public Schools through the LEF, you are investing in the quality of life in our community both today and tomorrow.

LHS After Prom and Senior Dinner Cruise

Senior Dinner Cruise

Lakeshore High School was able to bring back two fun traditions this spring ~ After Prom and the Senior Dinner Cruise in Chicago!

Both events had taken a hiatus the past two years due to Covid-19, and fundraising opportunities had been minimal. LEF was able to help bridge the gap in funding for both events. Juniors and Seniors attended After Prom at the High School following Prom festivities at Shadowland Ballroom on April 30th. There were many games, snacks and fun prizes to win. On May 31st, a few days after finishing their last day of school at Lakeshore, the Seniors were excited to celebrate together on a Senior Dinner Cruise on the boat Chicago's First Lady. They enjoyed catering by Harry Carey's, dancing, and a beautiful sunset on Lake Michigan.

A wonderful time was had by all. Senior Caroline Beckrow commented "It was a fantastic opportunity to savor our final moments together as Lakeshore students. Many thanks to the LEF for your generous contributions for both After Prom and the Senior Dinner Cruise."

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN ECONOMIC CLUB

Lakeshore High School students had a chance to hear from Television Broadcast Journalist, Elizabeth Vargas, as part of the Southwest Michigan Economic Club speaker series. LEF provides funding for the ongoing program that is open to all high school students.

Elizabeth Vargas is an American television journalist who came to the Southwest Michigan Economic Club on May 10th. Seven students from Lakeshore attended.

Henry Winkler is scheduled in November.

MAJOR PROJECT INVESTMENT $720,000

Our schools are experiencing many of the same issues that today's businesses are facing.

Businesses are struggling to recruit new hires, retain current employees and provide development opportunities to ensure future readiness. Lakeshore Public Schools are also dealing with similar issues, which is why the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation has committed to raise funds that deliver projects to address these challenges while positively impacting students, staff and our community.

In 2022, LEF will begin supporting three, new major projects: Technology Refresh for our elementary students, New Teacher Recruitment and Current Staff Development through Professional Learning Communities – PLC's.

Listen in as Joe Jason speaks with LEF Chairman, JC Anderson, about the scope of these major projects: https://bit.ly/LEFMajorProjects. Our thanks to the Lakeshore Lancers Network for their continued Support.

TECHNOLOGY REFRESH

Elementary students

CHALLENGE:

The pace of change of technology is daunting. Our elementary student technology has not been upgraded since 2017. Without new technology our children run the risk of falling behind.

SOLUTION:

LEF will fund 1:1 technology for all students K – 5th grade, including Young 5's. Touchscreen Chromebooks will provide a richer learning experience with improved academic achievement while preparing our students for future success.

$345,000 Investment

NEW TEACHER RECRUITMENT

New hires

CHALLENGE:

The number of people entering the teaching profession has dropped drastically. Lakeshore needs to position ourselves uniquely to be able to recruit new, top quality educators.

SOLUTION:

LEF will fund a new teacher recruitment grant that will provide up to $10,000 in incentives for new hires. This program will differentiate Lakeshore from other schools, improving our opportunity to recruit the best teachers into our school district.

$150,000 Investment

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For current staff

CHALLENGE:

Continuous learning among our educators is critical. We had established late-start Wednesdays to allow the staff to collaborate, but we haven't given them the ongoing training to help make the best use of this time.

SOLUTION:

LEF will fund training for all staff in support of PLC's – Professional Learning Communities. The outcome of this grant will result in continuous job-embedded training for educators and improved learning for all students, every day.

$225,000 Investment

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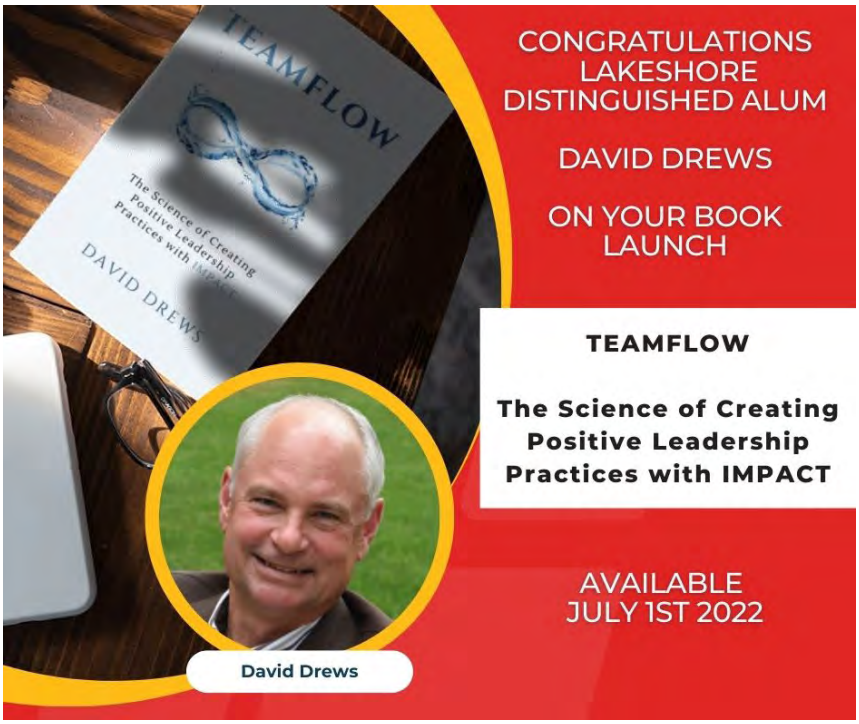
The Lakeshore Excellence Foundation was established in 1997 as a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors made up of local community members. Your donation to the foundation is tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.

LEF Supports Lakeshore Students

2022 Lakeshore Public Schools Graduate

Congratulations to the Class of 2022!

LEF is proud to support all of our students and staff. We wanted to give an extra special send-off to our seniors by sponsoring the signs you see around town. Way to go Class of '22!



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LAKESHORE Alumni

WAYS TO KEEP IN TOUCH

1. Join the Lakeshore High School Alumni Facebook Group:
   Search for "Lakeshore High School Alumni" and Join the Group
2. Register on the LEF website for email updates:
   lefonline.org/alumni/get-registered

If you graduated from Lakeshore High School, this is a great way to stay in touch!

LAKESHORE EXCELLENCE FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund is our long-term strategy to funding the LEF mission of learning for generations to come.

Annually, the LEF Board evaluates the health of the fund, makes contributions based on giving and project needs, and reinvests the earned interest. If you are interested in learning more about the Endowment Fund, please contact J.C. Anderson at (269) 921-2513 or email at anderjcna@gmail.com.

THE FACTS

The state funding for public schools in Michigan continues to be a challenge and Lakeshore is in the bottom 25% in funding. Yes, 75% of Michigan public school districts receive more state funding on a revenue per student basis!

SIX WAYS TO GIVE

1. Donate conveniently online
2. Swing those clubs
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Contact our Chairman, J.C. Anderson (anderjcna@gmail.com)

The Stewart Family Bark Angels

The Stewart Family has partnered with our local community partner, The Bark Angels, to have two certified therapy dogs join The Stewart Family!

The Bark Angels Therapy Dog Program helps people with physical, emotional and cognitive challenges, working one on one with patients and physical therapists, the certified therapy dogs inspire communication, sensory processing, mobility and social skills.

Stewart students with Juno the Bark Angel.

In the 2021-2022 school year, the Bark Angels visited Stewart Elementary once a month. Our Bark Angels, Juno (the Poodle) and Oskar (the Bernadoodle) would visit individual students as well as classrooms. Students and staff are given the opportunity to love on the Bark Angels as well as read to them or simply just sit with them.

The students at Stewart absolutely adore Juno and Oskar. Adelyn Kugle, a fourth grade student, said, ""I really like the little badges, they're so cute! I like how they are so calm and sweet, not too wild. It felt good when I got to have the dog do a trick and then I got to give it a treat, it made me happy!"

Ashley Norris, the Restorative Practices paraprofessional at Stewart Elementary, helped to arrange each visit from the Bark Angels. Mrs. Norris said of the Bark Angels, "This past year we got the pleasure of having therapy dogs come to our school to help with emotions that the students may have. The therapy dogs would be used to allow the kids to come down and get to read or love up on them. It was CRAZY to watch how an individual's face could light up when they got to see the dogs!"

Ms. Oman's fourth grade class saw the Bark Angels almost every time they visited. "The cathartic experience provided by the therapy dogs was an amazing thing to witness. I could physically see the stress melting away from the kids as we paused our math to enjoy some time with these sweet pups," Ms. Oman said of their experiences. "I am so grateful they had the opportunity to experience the love and safety that these furry friends can provide- what special moments!"

Mrs. Galloway, The Stewart Family Counselor, said, "The Bark Angels brought so much joy to The Stewart Family. Every time they were here, we had so many students and staff members requesting to spend time with them!"

First Grade Teachers - Amy Fleming, Cassie King and Melissa Harris

Lancer Day - Attention Incoming 6th Graders!

Monday, August 22, 2022

The school will be open from 8-10 A.M. and from 1-3 P.M. Incoming sixth graders and students new to the district are invited to pick up their class schedules, pick up a school issued Chromebook, and tour the building.

Winners' Circle Champion

Battle of the Books

The 7th graders took part in Battle of the Books. Each Battle team of 5-7 students read a total of 15 books, or about 2-3 books each.

Bonus Battle Champions

Sideline Battle Champion

These Readers are Leaders!

They competed in semi finals in our classrooms where they had to identify which book certain details were from. The last day before break, we were all here in the gym competing in a final battle with a question from each book and groups could show off their posters, skits and costumes.

Toy Story won both semi AND final - they knew all but 1of the 15 questions for the final and scored a total of 66 points - 10 more than any other group. Funky Chunky Monkey won the sideline competition with 59 points. Beach Reads won the bonus point with best costumes, poster, and skit.

We had a tight race for the next few places with 5 groups all scoring within 2 points of each other. Do Readers, Wreck It Readers, Literary Mutual, Mind Readers, and Krispy Kreme Readers all had between 55 and 53 points.

Poetry Slam

This spring, eighth-graders took part in a Poetry Slam where they recited a poem to the class that they had written. The classmates voted for their top three choices within each hour, and 16 middle school staff members chose the top three poems.

This year's top poets are Sophia Godush with first place for "Young Simplicity," Keeli Frank with second place for "The Wings of an Angel," and Madelyn Tude-thuot with third place for "One Bird Stays."

Congratulations to these poets and thank you to our Poetry Slam judges and to Forever Books in St. Joseph who provided prizes to the winning poets.

Lakeshore Middle School Back-to-School Night

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Doors to the building will open at 5:45 P.M. We recognize the value of families in the educational process and we hope to see all of you there!

First Day of School

The first day of middle school is Monday, August 29, 2022. It is a half day of school with dismissal at 11:00 A.M.

Middle School Daily Schedule

Students may enter the building at 7:25 A.M.

Doors open 7:25 A.M.
School starts 7:40 A.M.
Dismissal 2:43 P.M.

Late Start Wednesday
Begins September 7, 2022
Doors open 8:00 A.M.
School starts 8:15 A.M.
Dismissal 2:43 PM

Half Days Schedule
Doors open 7:25 A.M.
School starts at 7:40 A.M.
Dismissal 11:00 A.M.

We encourage you to follow our athletic teams and keep up-to-date on Lancer Sports.

Whether it is scores, schedules, results or tryout information and dates/times, etc., the best method to stay up-to-date is to follow Lakeshore Athletics on Twitter (@LHSLancerSports), Facebook (Lakeshore Lancer Athletics) and check the LHS athletic website frequently at lakeshorelancerathletics.com.

For specific questions regarding Lakeshore Athletics, please contact Director of Athletics, Greg Younger at gyounger@lpslancer.net.

The Lakeshore Academic Challenge team and Coach Suze Miller hold the WSJM Academic Challenge Champions trophy.

A Successful Year for Academic Challenge

By: Caroline Beckrow

The Lakeshore Academic Challenge team recently completed its most successful season in school history. The eight students from Lakeshore High School competed in quiz bowl trivia competitions throughout the 2021-2022 school year. Members included Seniors Caroline Beckrow, Ishaan Gupta, Joey Pietrogallo, and Juniors Ananya Bommineni, Ethan Mealmam, David Reisenbichler, Isaac Smith, and Kyle Smith. Coach Suze Miller was pivotal to the team's success and enjoyment throughout the season. Coach Miller has been involved with the Lakeshore Academic Challenge team since 2018 and has "brought energy and excitement" to the club, claimed Kyle Smith.

Team member Isaac Smith "truly enjoyed partaking in [Academic Challenge.]" Smith's favorite moments from the season included "any time we got to compete and test our wits against another team." Joey Pietrogallo added, "I love trivia and challenging my mind. Plus, it's a great way to spend time with my friends and have a lot of fun."

The team scored 1495 points during the regular season, claiming first place out of the nine participating schools in Southwest Michigan. This was the first time in Lakeshore history that the team placed first in the region. As a result, they were invited to compete virtually on May 21st and 22nd in the 40th Annual National Academic Championship - also another first for Lakeshore. Opposing teams were located as far as Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, and Georgia. The Lancers emerged from the weekend of intense intellectual competition with the two match wins. These inaugural National Academic Challenge wins for Lakeshore were a great end to a memorable season.

Lakeshore High School - Math and Science Center

Students Shine at the Science Fair

Math and Science Center students participated in the county-wide science fair held at Berrien RESA. Students winning their respective categories:

Liam Adkins & Vince Hughes - 1st Place Engineering Technology
Josie Boldt - 1st Place Plant Sciences
Michael Burkhart & Evan McVey - 1st Place Animal Science
Hazel Darling - 1st Place Health and Medicine
Tanishka Jadhav - 1st Place Microbiology
Tessa Northrup - 1st Place Cell and Molecular Biology
Aiden Parlak & Alex Phillips - 1st Place Energy
Jacob Schuh - 1st Place Computer Science

Malcolm Cowan & Owen Doms - 2nd Place Plant Sciences
Bergen Fischer - 2nd Place Physics
Beckett Muchow - 2nd Place Animal Science
Vivian Rose - 2nd Place Engineering Technology

Hazel Darling was the Overall Science Fair Champion.

Additionally, eight students took their research projects to the next level and presented at the Michigan High School Science Research Symposium at Andrews University. These students included: **Josie Arbanas, Mia Bradley, Josie Boldt, Michael Burkhart, Hazel Darling, Tanu Jadhav, Evan McVey, and Nathan VanderLugt.**

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First Day of School

The first day of high school is Monday, August 29, 2022. It is a half day of school with dismissal at 10:53 A.M.

High School Daily Schedule

Students may enter the building at 7:20 A.M.

Doors open 7:20 A.M.
School starts 7:35 A.M.
Dismissal 2:38 P.M.

Late Start Wednesday
Begins September 7, 2022
Doors open 7:55 A.M.
School starts 8:10 A.M.
Dismissal 2:38 PM

Half Day Schedule
Dismissal 10:53 A.M.

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Lakeshore After Prom 2022 -- A Big Success!!!

Lakeshore After Prom 2022

2022 has the been the year of comebacks, and Lakeshore After Prom was no exception.

In about six weeks junior and senior parents pulled off a night of games, food, and prizes that close to 200 juniors and seniors were able to enjoy. This evening would not have been possible without the hard work of the parents, community donations, and a generous donation from the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation. Lakeshore juniors and seniors, and their guests, were able to enjoy inflatable games of Hungry Hippos and jousting. They were also able to take on each other in games of laser tag. Party goers that needed a little bit of relaxation had their choice of chilling in the video game trailer or hanging out at our coffee shop. The casino and blackjack tables returned as students played to earn raffle tickets to have a chance at winning over 60 amazing prizes. And not a single kid left hungry with pizzas, wings, chips, cookies and drinks galore. **Being a part of this event reminded us all what an amazing community we live in and what the LEF does to support all we do at the high school.**

Lakeshore Yearbook Wins Big!

Due to the size and quality of the Lakeshore Year Book, it was bumped to a tougher division in 2022, where we were the smallest school by 300-1000 students! Lakeshore submitted 41 pieces of work -- here's the breakdown of results:

First Place awards: 5
Second Place awards: 4
Third Place awards: 4
Honorable Mention awards: 12
Grand Total: 25

We also received a Gold Medal for this yearbook and a certificate to prove it! We believe that's the highest award the yearbook has ever received. We have earned Silver for the past couple years, so this was a huge accomplishment.

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Lakeshore After Prom 2022

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Lakeshore Schools Meal Program

Proudly providing students quality meals

We look forward to providing students quality meals. Menus are posted on the Lakeshore website under the "For Parents" tab on each individual school's page. (There will be no lunches served the first ½ day of school.) Sack lunches will be offered to elementary students on ½ days after the first day. If you do not want your student to purchase lunch or breakfast on ½ days please send the form on the food service page of the Lakeshore website to their teacher. If you want your MS or HS students ala carte purchases limited please call food service at 428-1400 x 2965.

Children who come to school hungry may find it difficult to stay alert and learn. The school breakfast program helps by providing children with a great start to their day. All students are invited to participate in the breakfast program. All schools are serving breakfast. All students approved for reduced meals will pay $.30 cents. If your students are approved for free meals there is no cost.

---------- High School breakfast starts at 7:20 A.M. ----------
---------- Middle School breakfast starts at 7:25 A.M. ----------
---------- Elementary School breakfast at 8:25 A.M. ----------

The USDA waiver for every student to receive free meals is no longer in effect.
BREAKFAST PRICES: Elementary-$1.85, HS and MS-$2.20.
LUNCH PRICES: Elementary-$2.75, HS and MS-$3.00.
Milk or juice purchases for meals brought from home will be $.75 per drink. Please have money in student's accounts for these purchases.

Free and reduced meal applications for the 2022/2023 will be accepted after August 1. If you feel you would qualify please fill out the application on the food service page of the Lakeshore website. If you receive a letter in the mail before school starts, you do not need to fill out a paper application. Only one application per family is needed. Other students cannot identify who is free or reduced.

We offer online payments at: mymealtime.com. There is a fee for this service only if you make a deposit. We strongly recommend having an account so you can view your child's account activity. You will need your child's Student ID number, which will be given to you with back to school information.

All balances are forwarded in June to the next school year. Please pre-pay for your child's purchases as needed. We have a negative balance policy that can be viewed on our website.

Envelopes are available by all deposit boxes and in Elementary offices. You can pay by cash or check (Lakeshore Public Schools). All deposits need to be made before 10:00 A.M. Elementary students turn in deposits to their teacher. Middle school students please use the deposit box located by the office. High school students can use deposit boxes located in the principal's office or the cafeteria. Parents who are dropping off money can put it in a marked envelope and leave it in the drop box outside by entrance.

Pam Greiffendorf, Food Service Director
428-1400, ext. 2965
Lakeshore Public Schools

My MealTime

Lakeshore Schools has partnered with *My MealTime*, a fast, secure online service for making credit or debit card deposits and monitoring your student's lunch account.

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Download the mobile app
Use your device's web browser and go to mymealtime.com. If you're on a mobile device, from the My MealTime sign-in screen, choose the appropriate button to download the My MealTime app.

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